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1. SUMMARY: AMBASSADOR DE LA COLINA OF MEXICO HAS GIVEN US THE TEXT OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO SETTLE THE CUBA QUESTION. HE TOLD US THAT HE INTENDS TO LAUNCH THIS PROPOSAL ONLY IF HE CAN OBTAIN 14 CO-SPONSORS, I.E. THE REQUIRED TWO-THIRDS FOR ACTION UNDER THE RIO TREATY. THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION WHICH IS A VARIATION OF THE FREEDOM OF ACTION FORMULA FOR WHICH WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY STATED OUR SULNORT, IS SUBMITTED BELOW IN OUR ROUGH TRANSLATION FROM THE SPANISH. END SUMMARY.

2. QUOTE THE XVI MEETING OF CONSULTATION OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SERVING AS ORGAN OF CONSULTATION, UNDER THE RIO TREATY,

CONSIDERING

THAT THE MEMBER STATES PARTY TO THE RIO TREATY HAVE RENEWED THEIR ADHERENCE TO THE PRINCIPLES OF SOLIDARITY AND INTER-AMERICAN COOPERATION, NON-INTERVENTION AND RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE SET FORTH IN THE RIO TREATY AND THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION;

THAT THE CONFERENCE OF PLENIPGWENTIARIES MEETING IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA HAS AGREED TO (SIGNED) A PROTOCOL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE RIO TREATY WHICH WITH UNANIMOUS
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(GENERAL) (MAJORITY) APPROVAL OF SAID STATES PARTY

MODIFIED THE STANDARD CONTAINED IN ARTICLE 17, CONCERNING
DRADOPTION OF DECISIONS, TO THE EFFECT THAT IN ORDER TO
LEAVE WITHOUT EFFECT THE MEASURES ADOPTED IN
CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 8 ONLY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF
SAID STATES WILL BE REQUIRED; AND

DESIRING
TO ELIMINATE THE LIMITATIONS IMPOSED ON THE
SOVEREIGN POWERS OF THE STATES PARTY TO THE RIO TREATY
BY RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES
8, 17 AND 20 OF SAID TREATY, WHICH NO LONGER HAVE THE SUPPORT
OF THE TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY ORIGINALLY REQUIRED TO ADOPT
THEM:

(BEGIN UNDERLINE ALTERNATIVE TEXT END UNDERLINE: TO
PROMOTE INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS IN THE BROADEST POSSIBLE
WAY:)

RESOLVES

I. TO SOLEMNLY REAFFIRM THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION
AND TO URGE THE STATES PARTY TO WATCH OVER ITS OBSERVANCE
IN THE HEMISPHERE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE
ORGANIZATION, TO WHICH END THEY PROCLAIM ONCE AGAIN THEIR
SOLIDARITY AND REITERATE THEIR WILL FOR CONSTANT COOPERATION
WITH THE AIM OF REALIZING FULLY THE PURPOSES OF A POLICY
OF PEACE;

II. TO LEAVE THE STATES PARTY TO THE RIO TREATY FREE
TO NORMALIZE, UNILATERALLY AND ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL
POLICIES AND INTERESTS OF EACH ONE, THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE
REPUBLIC OF CUBA AT THE LEVEL AND IN THE MANNER THAT
EACH STATE CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE, AND

III. TO TRANSMIT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE
UNITED NATIONS THE TEXT OF THIS RESOLUTION. END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT: WE THANKED DE LA COLINA FOR HIS EFFORTS AND
SAID THAT WE WOULD BE SENDING HIS DRAFT TO WASHINGTON
IMMEDIATELY AND WOULD COMMENT ON IT WHEN WE HAD HAD
A CHANCE TO STUDY IT. AT FIRST READING THE DRAFT DOES NOT
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APPEAR TO RAISE MANY SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS FOR US, ALTHOUGH
WE ARE LESS THAN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT FIRST VERSION OF
QUOTE DESIRING END QUOTE PARAGRAPH.

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